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**P**enn Veterinary Medicine hosted its 111th Penn Annual Conference from March 1 – 4, 2011 at the Sheraton City Center Hotel in Philadelphia.

With the theme “Partners in Care,” the four-day conference offered the signature PennHIP seminar, in addition to full-conference sessions, some of which focused specifically on feline medicine. In addition, interactive wet labs were held on the School’s Philadelphia campus.

Several special events were also hosted, such as the first-ever Keynote Luncheon Presentation on March 2 by **Mattie Hendrick, V’78**, pathologist. The prestigious *Alumni Awards of Merit*, given annually by the School to recognize distinguished graduates for their contributions that advance the veterinary profession and the School’s good name, were awarded at the luncheon to **Eric Bregman, V’95**; **Pierre Conti, V’60**; **Charles Rupperecht, V’85**; **Raymond Stock, V’75**; **Donald Stremme, V’75**; **James Thomson, V’85** and **Marilyn Weber, V’75**.

The *VMAS Excellence in Teaching Award*, selected by Penn Veterinary Medicine young alumni and fourth-year students, was presented at the Young Alumni Luncheon on March 3 to **Patricia Sertich, V’83**, director, Equine Endometrial Biopsy Service, associate professor, CE, of Medicine and Reproduction, and director of Clinical

Service, Georgia and Philip Hofmann Research Center for Animal Reproduction at New Bolton Center.

Thanks to this year’s Educational Committee for once again creating an outstanding conference, especially committee chairs Dr. Linda Baker, Dr. Eric Parente, Dr. Jon Palmer, Dr. Alexander Reiter and Michelle Traverse and Chair of the Conference Advisory Committee, Dr. Kathy Michel. ■

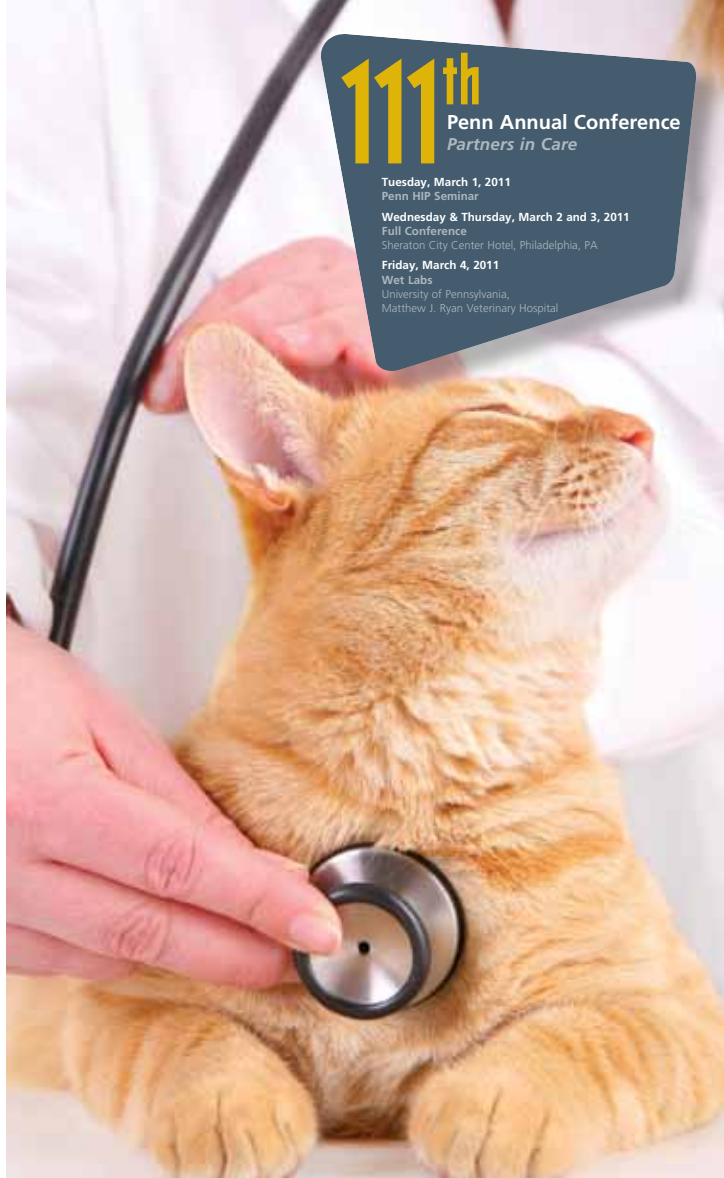
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**Penn Annual Conference**  
Partners in Care

**Tuesday, March 1, 2011**  
Penn HIP Seminar

**Wednesday & Thursday, March 2 and 3, 2011**  
Full Conference  
Sheraton City Center Hotel, Philadelphia, PA

**Friday, March 4, 2011**  
Wet Labs  
University of Pennsylvania,  
Matthew J. Ryan Veterinary Hospital



Members of the Penn Veterinary Medicine Class of '71 join together to celebrate their 40th reunion.